# **ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES (2014-2015)**

## THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

The Department is very proud that the UGC has sanctioned a minor project for the Department of Foreign Languages. The topic is "E-content of the course text book for the II and III year B.A.French Literature Students.

#### Prof. K.Candasamy Endowment Lecture

Prof. Candasamy Endowment Lecture was held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at M.R.F Hall. The endowment Lecture was given by Ms. Kamala Govindarajan, Director, Office of the Pays de la Loire Region in India on "L'avenue vers l'étude supérieure et le futur emploi pour les étudiants de français" (Higher education and future employment opportunities for French Students). The students appreciated the lecture because they got an idea about their future opportunities.



Mme. Kamala Govindrajan, Director, Office of the Pays de la Loire Region in India

## WORKSHOP ON "INDIA SONG- MARGUERITE DURAS"

A workshop on "India Song- Marguerite Duras" was held at the Vis.Com Preview theatre on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 to mark the birth centenary of Marguerite Duras, a celebrated French novelist and film director. The Indian Association of Teachers of French, the French Embassy in India and the Department of Foreign Languages, Loyola College conducted this activity based workshop for the B.A.French students. Mme. Geneviève BARAONA, a pedagogical tutor of language and culture from the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales, Paris animated this workshop. The B.A.French students actively participated in this workshop.



Mme. Genevieve Baranoa,



Soorya Prakash, a student of B.A.French doing an activity during the workshop

# FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS/SEMINARS/ PAPERS PRESENTED BY STAFF

Prof. Isaac Francis participated in a 2 day National Seminar "New approaches in teaching of French as Foreign Language in India" at Kanchi Manmunivar Centre for P.G.Studies, Pondicherry on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Prof. Maria Priya presented a paper "Apps used in Language Learning" in the International Conference on "Trends and Innovations in Language Teaching" at Satyambama University on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> November 2014. The paper was published in Proceedings of the International Conference on Trends and Innovations in Language Teaching with ISBN: 978-1-4799-7238-8 Prof. Sherrin Pradeep participated in a 2 day National Seminar "New approaches in teaching of French as Foreign Language in India" at Kanchi Manmunivar Centre for P.G.Studies, Pondicherry on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Dr. Durga Devi presented a paper "Gavanam: French sindhanaiyalargal, oru parvai" in the National Conference held at the University of Madras in March2014. The paper was published in the book "Gavanam-Palthurai Parvai" with ISBN: 978-93-81992-19-7

Dr. Durga Devi and Dr. Abarna Roy attended 2 day training programme to be examiners for DELF A1 exam on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at the Alliance Française of Madras.

Prof. Maria Priya was a resource person at the workshop on "L'Apprentissage de la langue française- Le Contexte Indien- De Nouvelles Approches at Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

Dr. Durga Devi was a resource person in the workshop "L'apprentissage de la langue française—le contexte indien "de nouvelles approaches" at JBAS College, Chennai on 10th February 2015.

Dr. Abarna Roy attended a two week training program at the Institut Albert le Grand, Angers, France on French Language, History and Civilization of France.

Dr. Abarna Roy presented three seminars to the students of the Institut Albert le Grand and Institut Bethencourt, France on Indian Gastronomy, civilization and culture in February 2015.

Prof. Maria Priya was selected as a member of State Integrated Board of Studies, the board on languages by TANSCHE.

Prof. Jayanthi Chandrasekaran read a translated version of "Thirukural" in French in a literary program presided by His Excellency Dr. K. Rosaiah, on 14<sup>th</sup> November at Raj Bhavan, Chennai.



French students tasting the Indian food at the "degustation" by Dr. Abarna Roy



Dr. Abarna Roy at the seminar on Indian customs at Institut Albert le Grand, France